Slow Pace of Rural Electrification

2859. SHRI ANANTA SETHI : Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of the gradual slow down of rural electrification in the country;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the state-wise progress of rural electrification as on date;

(d) the strategy proposed to be adopted to expedite the rural electrification programme within a specific time frame; and

(e) the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Many villages which have remained unelectrified are generally remote and far flung in nature. The major reasons for slow progress are financial constraints of State Electricity Boards, inadequate sub-distribution system facilities, disturbed conditions prevailing in some States, non-payment of dues of Rural Electrification Corporation resulting in no cash flow, lack of demand from the consumers due to backwardness and poor economic conditions.

(c) The State-wise progress of village electrification and pumpsets energisation as on February, 2000 is given at Statement I and II (*see* below) respectively.

(d) and (e) Rural Electrification Corporation (REC) provides loan assistance to State Governments/State Electricity Boards for village electrification schemes, pumpsets energisation schemes, system improvement schemes etc., provided the schemes are technically feasible and financially viable. Upto 31st March, 2000, REC had sanctioned 36034 rural electrification schemes for a loan outlay of Rs. 21,076 crores against which Rs. 16010 crores (approx.) has been disbursed. REC has set a target of financing electrification of 7000 villages in the first three years of the 9th Plan. Till end of December, 1999 REC had achieved electrification of 6281 villages. As regards pumpset energisation REC had set a target of financing energisation of 7,40,000 pumpsets during the first three years of the 9th Plan. REC has already achieved energisation of 6,49,000 pumpsets by the end of December, 1999.

STATEMENT–I

Progress in Electrification of Villages upto February, 2000

Sl.No.	State/UTs	Total No. of Villages (1991 census)	Achievements as on 31-3-99 Numbers	%age	Achievement during April to Jan. 2000	Month under report	Cumulative at the end of Feb. 2000	Total achievement to the end of Feb. 2000	Remarks
1.	Andhra Pradesh	26586	26565	100.0	–		–	26565	Fully electrified balance not feasible
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	3649	2147	58.8	NIL	NIL	NIL	2147	
3.	Assam	24685	19019	77.0	NIL	NA	NIL	19019	Progress reported upto end of 11-99
4.	Bihar	67513	47845	70.9	17	NA	17	47862	Achievement as per 1981 census. Progress reported to the end of 12-99
5.	Goa	360	360	100.0	–		–	360	Provisional to be confirmed as per 1991 census
6.	Gujarat	18028	17940	100.0	–		–	17940	Fully electrified as on 31-12-98. Balance not feasible.
7.	Haryana	6759	6759	100.0	–		–	6759	
8.	Himachal Pradesh	16997	16819	99.0	4	3	7	16826	100% electrified as per 1981 census

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9.	Jammu & Kashmir	6477	6315	97.5	NA	NA	NA	6315	Achievement as per 1971 census, 1991 census not held. Progress reported to the end of 3/98
10.	Karnataka	27066	26676	98.6	5	NA	5	26681	287 villages declared non-feasible. 100% electrified as per 1981 census. Progress reported to the end of 1-2000.
11.	Kerala	1384	1384	100.0	–	–	–	1384	
12.	Madhya Pradesh	71526	68259	95.4	45	9	54	68313	
13.	Maharashtra	40412	40412	100.0	–	–	–	40412	Provisional to be confirmed as per 1991 census.
14.	Manipur	2182	1990	91.2	11	Nil	11	2001	
15.	Meghalaya	5484	2510	46	Nil	NA	Nil	2510	Progress reported to the end of 12/99
16.	Mizoram	698	687	98	4	Nil	4	691	
17.	Nagaland	1216	1163	96	0	NA	Nil	1163	Progress reported to the end of 11/99

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18.	Orissa	46989	34442	73	683	NA	683	35125	Progress reported upto end of 1-2000
19.	Punjab	12428	12428	100	–	–	–	12428	
20.	Rajasthan	37889	34937	92	196	39	235	35172	
21.	Sikkim	447	405	100	–	–	–	405	Provisional (to be confirmed). 42 Nos. forest villages not electrified.
22.	Tamil Nadu	15822	15822	100	–	–	–	15822	
23.	Tripura	855	806	94	4	NA	4	810	Progress reported upto end of 1-2000
24.	Uttar Pradesh	112803	88641	79	362	35	397	89038	
25.	West Bengal	37910	29402	78	161	NA	161	29563	Achievement as per 1981 census. Progress reported upto 1-2000.
	TOTAL (States)	586165	503733	86	1492	86	1578	505311	
	TOTAL (UTs)	1093	1090	100	0	–	–	1090	Fully electrified balance not feasible.
	TOTAL (All India)	587258	504823	86	1492	86	1578	506401	

STATEMENT–II

Progress report in respect of Pumpset Energisation for the month of Feb., 2000

Sl.No.	State/UTs	Pumpsets energised As on 31-3-99			Achievement during 1999-2000 (Prov.)				Remarks
		Estimate ultimate potential in terms of electrical pumpsets	Number	%	1-4-99 to 31-1-2000	Month under Report	Cumulative at the end of Feb., 2000	Total Achievement to the end of Feb., 2000	
1.	Andhra Pradesh	1600000	1884686	117.8	9037	4382	13419	1898105	
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	@			–	–	–	–	
3.	Assam	200000	3675	1.8	NIL	NA	NIL	3675	Progress reported upto end of 11/99
4.	Bihar	1000000	271090	27.1	437	NA	437	271527	Progress reported up to end of 8/99
5.	Goa	@	6590		68	NA	68	6658	Progress reported up to end of 12/99
6.	Gujarat	700000	643757	92.0	22890	2463	25353	669110	
7.	Haryana	430000	410239	95.4	665	69	734	410973	
8.	Himachal Pradesh	10000	5392	53.9	270	26	296	5688	
9.	J & K	15000	5621	37.5	NA	NA	NA	5621	Progress reported up to end of 3/98.

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		Estimate ultimate potential in terms of electrical pumpsets	Number	%	1-4-99 to 31-1-2000	Month under Report	Cummulative at the end of Feb., 2000	Total Achievement to the end of Feb., 2000	
10.	Karnataka	850000	1141824	134.3	30880	NA	30880	1172704	Progress reported up to end of 1/2000
11.	Kerala	300000	353405	117.8	14725	3012	17737	371142	
12.	Madhya Pradesh	1300000	1274873	98.1	13348	3012	16360	1291233	
13.	Maharashtra	1800000	2210001	122.8	46335	8607	54942	2264943	
14.	Manipur	10000	45	0.5	..	-	-	45	
15.	Meghalaya	10000	65	0.7	..	-	-	65	
16.	Mizoram	@			-	-	-	-	
17.	Nagaland	10000	176	1.8	-	-	-	176	
18.	Orissa	500000	73359	14.7	1091	NA	1091	74450	Progress reported up to end of 1/2000
19.	Punjab	700000	744972	106.4	8005	767	8772	753744	
20.	Rajasthan	600000	590119	98.4	17482	2143	19625	609744	Cumm. Disconnection as on 31-3-99 are 10545

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		Estimate ultimate potential in terms of electrical pumpsets	Number	%	1-4-99 to 31-1-2000	Month under Report	Cummulative at the end of Feb., 2000	Total Achievement to the end of Feb., 2000	
21.	Sikkim	5000			–	–	–	–	
22.	Tamil Nadu	1500000	1643915	109.6	22598	4986	27584	1671499	
23.	Tripura	10000	1885	18.9	–	–	–	1885	
24.	Uttar Pradesh	2400000	806270	33.6	8619	621	9240	815510	
25.	West Bengal	500000	107238	21.4	1475	NA	1475	108713	Progress reported up to end of 1/2000
	TOTAL (States)	14450000	12179197	84.3	197925	30088	228013	12407210	
	TOTAL (UTs)	50000	37453	74.9	343	4	347	37800	
	TOTAL All India	14500000	12216650	84.3	198268	30092	228360	12445010	

@ Potential of these states are included in total (UTs).